



# Lake Park Villager



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## GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

Village government meetings and elections are held at the Town Hall/Community Center and are open to the public.

- Feb 13** 7:00p Village Council
- Feb 15** 6:30p Economic Development Commission
- Feb 19** **President's Day** Office Closed
- Feb 19** 7:00p Planning Board
- Feb 26** 6:30p Parks & Recreation Commission

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS** OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

**LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS** OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

**POND FISHING:** 2018 PERMITS AVAILABLE NOW  
PURCHASE AT TOWN HALL

**VILLAGE OFFICE** TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER  
MON 9A-5P, TUE-FRI 9AM -12NOON

**KNIT ONE, CROCHET TWO** 704-840-9661  
EVERY THURSDAY 6:00PM PANERA BREAD RESTAURANT

**4TH THURSDAYS BRIDGE CLUB** TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER  
FEB 22 CALL JOHN FOR MEETING TIME: 704-301-0931

**LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION** 704-544-7779  
FEB 1 7PM BOARD MEETING TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER  
[WWW.CUSICKCOMPANY.COM](http://WWW.CUSICKCOMPANY.COM)

**SAGES FEB 9TH** 704-882-3107  
BREAKFAST AT SUN VALLEY CAFE & CARD GAMES FEB 9TH @ 10A.M.  
GAMES FEB 5TH 1PM 704-882-6906  
LUNCH & CARD GAMES FEB 19TH @ 11:15AM 704-882-6906

**SINGLES GROUP (55+)** 704-882-3107  
FEB 1 7PM TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY CENTER

**VILLAGER NEWSLETTER** IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY JAN 28  
FEB 18 5PM NEWS DEADLINE [KRISTEN.BOWMAN@LAKEPARKNC.GOV](mailto:KRISTEN.BOWMAN@LAKEPARKNC.GOV)

**GARDEN CLUB** TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER  
JAN 19 7PM TOPIC: HOUSEPLANTS  
BY: PIKE'S NURSERY

Burning of yard waste is not permitted in the Village at any time. Yard waste collection is a service provided to you on a weekly basis. Please bag all leaves in clear bags for collection and bundle branches, no more than four feet long, with scheduled trash pickup.

**For more information: [lakeparknc.gov](http://lakeparknc.gov) -> Waste Collection Green button on right**

## Steve's Coats for Kids Drive

Thank you to all who donated to the overflowing bin of coats for the Steve's Coat's for Kids Drive Dec 27-Jan 9. The donations of 72 coats benefited Crisis Assistance Ministry in Union County, which focuses on helping impoverished families.

Thanks also to Angie Figiel for coordinating the effort.

## Property Enhancements, Part II

Following-up on January's edition outlining requirements and procedures to add a deck, fence (new or replacement), pool, storage building and additions, the HOA is partnering with the village to continue to be One Village, One Voice.

A flyer will be attached to the Lake Park Zoning applications to highlight that approvals are a two-step process. The first is the village application and second is the HOA Architectural Review Committee (ARC) application. The flyer will give information about how to contact Cusick Community Management and guide residents through the application process.

Curious what an ARC application is or what the ARC committee does? Visit a HOA meeting, the first Thursday of every month at 7pm at the Community Center or check out [cusickcompany.com](http://cusickcompany.com).

## Crime & Safety

### Theft

The past month has seen an uptick in crimes of opportunity. Vehicles left unlocked, garages left open, and keys left in vehicles are main causes for theft. Lock your vehicles, remove valuables from vehicles, and close your garage doors when not around, especially late at night.

### Stop for Pedestrians!

Lake Park has wonderful walking paths and sidewalks throughout the village that residents take advantage of year-round. Stopping at a crosswalk to allow a pedestrian to cross is not a courtesy, it's the law. Be aware of the designated crosswalks (painted lines or bricked out), especially on the busier roads; help keep our pedestrians safe.

## Lake Park Village Government Call List

Website: [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov)

### David Cleveland - Mayor

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### Kristen Bowman - Council

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### John Barnes – Mayor Pro Tem

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### James Record - Council

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### Pam Jack - Council

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[pam.jack@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:pam.jack@lakeparknc.gov)

### Fabian Szarko - Council

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### Cheri Clark –

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### Village Administrator

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### Angie Figiel –

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### Admin Asst & Event Coordinator

[angie.figiel@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:angie.figiel@lakeparknc.gov)

### Cheryl Bennett, Finance Officer

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[cheryl.bennett@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:cheryl.bennett@lakeparknc.gov)

### Ken Swain, Village Attorney

(704) 882-8657

[cheri.clark@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:cheri.clark@lakeparknc.gov)

### Full Time Deputies Dana Rucker & Taylor Hackney

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591 [officer@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:officer@lakeparknc.gov)

## HOA Dues

Have you made the deadline? Annual Assessment is due February 1<sup>st</sup> and becomes delinquent after the 28<sup>th</sup> of the month. Late charges accrue for payments received after February 28<sup>th</sup>. Two ways to pay:

Send a check by mail payable to Lake Park Homeowner's Association, Inc. to:

Lake Park  
PO Box 1259  
Commerce, GA 30529

The other option is to pay online by credit card at [cusickcompany.com](http://cusickcompany.com). There is a convenience charge for this service.

Questions? Contact Karen Cusick at 704.544.7779

## Parking Ordinance

Lake Park has a wide variety of streets meandering through the village. Busy thoroughfares, one-way roads, narrow alleys, slim streets, cul-de-sacs, roads with marked and unmarked parking. Additionally, the vast number of crosswalks, intersections, and fire hydrants can make parking challenging. The following guidelines are from the Parking Ordinance found on [lakeparknc.gov](http://lakeparknc.gov) -> Ordinances -> Parking Ordinance Amended 8/8/2017

- Do not park to obstruct traffic on roads or alleys
  - Allow at least 12 feet of roadway for safe passage of other vehicles. Two cars may not park across from each other unless 12 feet is between them
- No parking in the round section of a cul-de-sac
- No parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
- No parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk
- No parking within 30 feet of an intersection
- No parking within the first 6 feet of grass on the side of a public street or on the grass between the sidewalk and the street.
- No parking in front of a public or private driveway

These ordinances are here for your safety. Emergency vehicles need clear paths to access our village and not be waylaid in the streets when our residents most need them.

\*Please consult the full ordinance for further information on recreational vehicles, trailers, construction equipment, and tractor trailers and other details

 **Reduce! Reuse! Recycle!** 

**Thursday Pickups: 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22**  
**Bulk Pickup: EVERY WEEK**

## EDC: Economic Development

### Open Position

Any residents who are interested in serving on the Economic Development Commission (EDC) are invited to submit your name to the office by February 12th. Please call the office at 704-882-8657 for more information. The EDC supports the businesses, churches, and schools in Lake Park.

### Talent Management & Retention Networking Luncheon

Monica York of Matriarch Intel will lead a seminar in March for the businesses, churches, and schools of Lake Park on creating and maintaining the culture you want for your business, and how to interview and retain employees who fit your business culture. We are opening the seminar to business owners who live in Lake Park, but have brick and mortar businesses outside the village, and those who work out of their home and are looking to expand their business. Contact [kristen.bowman@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:kristen.bowman@lakeparknc.gov) for more details.

## P&RC: Parks & Recreation

### 2018 Fishing Permit:

Permits expired Dec 31, 2017. New Permits are required each year to legally fish in Lake Park ponds. Fees are \$2 for residents and \$20 for non-residents. Permit Violation for illegally fishing is \$50. Permits can be purchased during normal business hours at the Community Center.

E-notify: Go to [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov) to enroll your email and ensure that you receive current town news and events including the *Lake Park Villager* on your phone, tablet or computer.